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CHAPTER 4

DR. HENRY JONES HAS SPENT A LIFETIME SEEKING THE FABLED HOLY GRAIL ... AND, IN THE PROCESS, HAS ATTRACTED THE ATTENTION OF OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES AS WELL -- NAMELY, THE **NAZIS**.

HIS RECENT CAPTURE BY THE NAZIS PROMPTED HIS ARCHAEOLOGIST-ADVENTURER SON, **INDIANA JONES**, TO TRAVEL INTO THE HEART OF HITLER'S GERMANY TO RESCUE HIM.

BUT NO SOONER DO THE JONES BOYS ESCAPE ONE NAZI DEATHTRAP...

...THAN THEY ARE FACED WITH YET **ANOTHER!**

SHHRRROWM

THEY'RE GAINING ON US, DAD!

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FIRE THE MACHINE GUN!

TAKATAKATAK

SPING

PCHAP

TAKATAK

WHOOPS!

SON, I'M SORRY.

THEY GOT US!

SKRRRRRRRRRIIITCH

EKV

ACH--!

SORRY, FRITZ! WE NEED THIS MORE THAN YOU DO!

FAROOM

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KRATATOW

GOOD LORD! HEAD FOR PRINCE-TON!

TUNNEL AHEAD! I CAN LOSE HIM THERE!

SO MUCH FOR THEORY....!

SHAPACT

FRAWHOOOSH

THEY DON'T COME ANY CLOSER THAN THAT!

YES THEY DO!

NO PLACE TO RUN! NOWHERE TO --DAD?

YAH! HEEYAH!

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GO ON!

SHOO!

VAS--? BIRDS! C-CLOGGING THE PROPELLER!

ENGINE STALLING! I-- I'M GOING TO--

PWA-POOM

I REMEMBERED CHARLEMAGNE: "LET MY ARMIES BE THE ROCKS AND THE TREES AND BIRDS IN THE SKY!"

GOOD ADVICE THEN-- GOOD ADVICE NOW!

INDEED, SUCH ADVICE -- ALONG WITH CAUTION -- KEEPS THE TWO TRAVELERS ALIVE UNTIL THE NEXT DAY, AS THEY AT LAST REACH ISKENDERUN...

INDY, MY FRIEND! HOW I HAVE MISSED YOU!

AND YOU ARE FATHER OF INDY?

WHY, ER... YES.

WELL DONE, SIR! YOUR BOY HAS BLESSED MY LIFE!

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SALLAH, WHERE'S MARCUS?

WE CANNOT TALK HERE. HURRY! INTO THE CAR!

SORRY, INDY-- MOVE THAT GOAT! -- BUT THERE WERE TOO MANY FOR ME TO HANDLE!

THEY SET OUT ACROSS THE DESERT THIS AFTERNOON -- GET A CAMEL! -- AND I FEAR THEY TOOK MR. BRODY WITH THEM!

NOW THEY HAVE THE MAP! GO FASTER, SALLAH!

YOU BLIND OTTOMAN RUG MERCHANT!

CAN WE CATCH UP?

THERE ARE ALWAYS SHORTCUTS...!

BEEEP

THOSE SHORTCUTS ARE TAKEN -- AND SOON LEAD TO AN ARID DESERT VALLEY, WHERE...

CARE TO WET YOUR WHISTLE, MARCUS?

ACCORDING TO YOUR MAP, WE'RE ONLY THREE OR FOUR MILES FROM THE DISCOVERY OF THE GREATEST ARTIFACT IN HUMAN HISTORY!

YOU'RE MEDDLING WITH POWERS YOU CANNOT POSSIBLY CONTEMPLATE!

I'D DO BETTER CONTEMPLATING THAT SPARKLE IN THE HILLS! IT ALMOST LOOKS LIKE--

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"--A REFLECTION!"

THEY'VE GOT A TANK... SIX POUND GUN. I SEE BRODY. HE LOOKS OKAY.

BE CAREFUL THEY DON'T SEE YOU!

WE'RE WELL OUT OF RANGE.

BRAKAMM

WITHIN MOMENTS...

MAYBE IT WASN'T EVEN JONES.

NO. IT'S HIM, ALL RIGHT. HE'S HERE. SOMEWHERE.

IT'S JONES! HE HAS GUNS!

NO, IT'S NOT JONES--ER, ME! I DON'T KNOW WHO IT IS!

BUT I'M WILLING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE--

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"--OF THEIR DISTRACTION!"

ATTACKERS RUNNING FOR THE HORSES! MUST WARN THE COLONEL--!

PHOW

KRAK KRAK

WHO ARE YOU?!

A MESSENGER... FROM GOD! FOR THE UNRIGHTEOUS... TH-THE CUP OF LIFE... HOLDS EVERLASTING... DAM... NATION...!

HENRY! W-WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

IT'S A RESCUE, OLD BOY! WHAT DID YOU THINK?

WHAT IS IN THE BOOK? THAT MISERABLE LITTLE BOOK OF YOURS! TELL ME!

VOGEL!

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WHAT ARE YOU HIDING? WHAT DOES THE DIARY TELL YOU THAT IT DOESN'T TELL US?

IT TELLS ME THAT GOOSE-STEPPING MORONS LIKE YOURSELF SHOULD TRY READING BOOKS INSTEAD OF BURNING THEM!

HERR COLONEL!

JONES!

AFTER HIM!

TANK'S GIVING CHASE! AND SO'S THAT STAFF CAR!

WITH THE RIGHT MOVE, MAYBE I CAN BRING THEM--

SKRRUNCH!

--TOGETHER!

KUMP

VOGEL'S PLAYING ROUGH!

BUT TWO CAN PLAY THAT GAME!

¡ULP! & SO CAN FIVE!

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BLAM

GO GET 'EM, JUNIOR!

NEVER CALL ME JUNIOR!

}AGK{

OH, DEAR!

QUISH!

I'LL BE--!

THOK

THE PEN IS MIGHTIER THAN THE SWORD!

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THOUGH IT SEEMS OUR REPREVE IS ONLY TEMPORARY!

THE TANK IS HEADING STRAIGHT FOR THAT GORGE!

JUMP!

LOOK!

TIMBER!

HAVE TO GIVE SALLAH THE WHIP: THEN HE CAN PULL DAD TO SAFETY!

WHILE I PUSH OFF THIS DEATHTRAP BEFORE--

--AW, NO! CHAINS CAUGHT IN THE SUPERSTRUCTURE! DRAGGIN US ALONG! G-GOTTA SLIP LOOSE! GOT TO--

IT'S NO USE! I .. I'M SORRY!

NOW THAT WAS CLOSE

I THOUGHT I'D LOST YOU, JUNIOR.

JUNIOR?!

THAT'S HIS REAL NAME -- HENRY JONES JUNIOR!

I LIKE "INDIANA"..!

WHILE ELSEWHERE

KRAKAKOOM!

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THE SECRET CANYON.

THANK YOU HENRY.

SOON AFTER, FOLLOWING THE SOUND OF THE DYNAMITE BLAST, FOUR SEEKERS ENTER THE SUN-SCORCHED CANYON...

--AND STARE IN AWE AT A TIME-LOST TEMPLE CARVED INTO SILENT STONE: A DREAM GIVEN SOLIDITY.

BUT THE JOY OF DISCOVERY THAT THEY FEEL HERE--

--QUICKLY DARKENS AS THEY SEE THE GRIM DRAMA UNFOLDING INSIDE!

KEEP GOING! KEEP GOING!

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE

MASSAD D ED HORR BLY! A-AND WE NEVER EVEN SAW WHAT KILLED HIM!

BUT ¡GULP! I-I AM CUNNING! NOTHING WILL HARM--

HELMUT! ANOTHER 'VOLUNTEER'!

WHOOSH

BUT THEN NEW PLAYERS JOIN THE GAME!

RAUS! MOVE!

THE BREATH OF GOD..!

STEP BACK DR SCHNEIDER GIVE DR JONES SOME ROOM. HE'S GOING TO DISCOVER THE GRAIL FOR US.

READY TO GO DOWN IN HISTORY JONES?

AS WHAT? A FASCIST STOOGE LIKE YOU?

HITLER CAN HAVE THE WORLD BUT HE CAN'T TAKE IT WITH HIM! I'M GOING TO BE DRINKING TO MY OWN HEALTH WHEN HE'S GONE THE WAY OF THE DODO!

THE GRAIL'S MINE AND YOU'RE GOING TO GET IT FOR ME.

SHOOTING ME WON'T GET YOU ANYWHERE!

YOU KNOW SOMETHING, DR JONES? YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT!

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THE HEALING POWER OF THE GRAIL IS THE ONLY THING THAT CAN SAVE YOUR FATHER NOW!

HE'S BADLY HURT!

IT'S THE ONLY CHANCE HE'S GOT!

I... I KNOW.

SLOWLY, RESIGNED, INDY CLIMBS THE DEADLY STONE STAIRS..

"ONLY THE PENITENT MAN WILL PASS."

HMM. THE PENITENT MAN IS HUMBLE THE PENITENT MAN

OOSH

...KNEELS

SWISH

SWINGS SO FAST YOU CAN'T SEE IT!

A HIDDEN PENDULUM MECHANISM. RAZOR SHARP!

THESE WHEELS MUST WORK THE BLADE MECHANISM! IF I CAN USE THE ROPE TO JAM THEM --!

HE'RE THROUGH!

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THE SECOND CHALLENGE — THE WORD OF GOD. "ONLY IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF GOD WILL HE PROCEED."

IN THE NAME OF GOD.

...JEHOVAH!

"J"... "E"...

GYAGH!

YUCK!

MUST BE THE LATIN SPELLING! SHOULD VE THOUGHT O' THAT!

"I"... "E"... "H"... "O"... "V"... "A"...

...DONE!

THE PATH OF GOD. "ONLY IN THE LEAP FROM THE LION'S HEAD WILL HE PROVE HIS WORTH."

IMPOSSIBLE! NOBODY CAN JUMP THIS!

HAVE TO HAVE FAITH WORTHY OR NOT I'M THE ONLY HOPE OLD HAG'

AT LEAST IT'S NOT SNAKES...!

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WHA--? I'M STANDING ON AIR?!?

NO! THERE'S A PATH! BUT IT'S BEEN PAINTED TO ALIGN WITH THE ROCKS BELOW! A PERFECT FORCED PERSPECTIVE.

THAT'S ONE SCARY SIDEWALK! BETTER TOSS SOME DIRT BACK TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR THE OTHERS TO SEE.

NOW TO GET--

--NSIDE.

I KNEW YOU WOULD COME

WHO ARE YOU?

THE LAST OF THREE BROTHERS WHO SWORE AN OATH TO FIND THE GRAIL AND TO GUARD IT

THE LAST CRUSADER!

YOU ARE STRANGE! DRESSED, FOR A KNIGHT

WELL I'M NOT EXACTLY-- WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

I WAS CHOSEN BECAUSE I WAS THE BRAVEST AND MOST WORTHY I NOW PASS THAT HONOR TO YOU, WHO HAVE VANQUISHED ME

UH, LOOK, LET ME EXPLAIN...!

WHICH ONE IS IT?

YOU MUST CHOOSE -- BUT CHOOSE WISELY. FOR JUST AS THE TRUE GRAIL WILL BRING YOU LIFE, THE FALSE GRAIL WILL TAKE IT FROM YOU!

LET ME CHOOSE!

OH, YES! IT'S MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN I HAD EVER IMAGINED!

THIS IS CERTAINLY THE CUP OF A KING OF KINGS!

ETERNAL LIFE!

GNAK! WHA... WH-WHAT IS... HAPPENING TO ME?!

NO, NO, NO, NO, NO, NOOOO!

HE CHOSE POORLY.

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THIS ONE IS SIMPLE-- THE CUP OF A CARPENTER! BUT IS IT THE *RIGHT* ONE?

ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT...!

YOU... HAVE CHOSEN *WISELY!*

SECONDS LATER...

DRINK, DAD. DRINK!

TO SOME, THE MIRACLE THAT FOLLOWS IS FRIGHTENING; SOLDIERS FLEE. BUT TO OTHERS...

DAD! YOU'RE *ALL RIGHT!*

AT LAST I AM RELEASED, FOR THIS BRAVE KNIGHT-ERRANT HAS COME TO TAKE MY PLACE!

DAD, THERE'S A *MISUNDERSTANDING* HERE...!

HE IS NOT A KNIGHT-ERRANT, MERELY MY ERRANT *SON!*

THEN WHY HAVE YOU COME?

FOR *THIS!*

NO! THE GRAIL CAN NEVER LEAVE THIS PLACE!

YOU MUST NOT CROSS THE *SEAL--!*

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RRUMBLE!

THE METAL SEAL! TH-THE EARTH ITSELF! CRACKING OPEN!

I'M FALLING--!

GOTCHA!

HOLD ME! I-I CAN REACH IT--!

NO! GIVE ME BOTH HANDS! DON'T BE STUPI--

ELSAAAA!

PULL BACK! COME ON! I CAN'T HOLD ON!

BUT I'M TALLER! I CAN GET THE GRAIL! I CAN REACH IT--!

INDIANA!

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LET IT GO.

A LOOK IS EXCHANGED; REASON PREVAILS. AS INDIANA JONES ACCEPTS THAT, AT LEAST SOMETIMES--

--FATHER DOES KNOW BEST!

THIS DAY THE GRAIL HAS WON. BUT IN A SENSE, SO HAVE THOSE WHO SOUGHT IT. THE GUARDIAN KNIGHT WAVES FAREWELL.

AND ACCEPTANCE.

BRRUBUMBLLE

AFTER YOU.

JUNIOR.

YES, SIR!

AND SO THEY RIDE, FILLED WITH LIFE, CHASING DREAMS AND THE SETTING SUN.

LIKE CRUSADERS.

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